HIGH GERMAN
FORTUNE-TELLER,

WITH

RULES and DIRECTIONS,

BY WHICH

MEN AND WOMEN MAY KNOW THEIR

Good and Bad Fortune.

TO WHICH IS ADDED,

THE WHOLE ART OF PALMISTRY;

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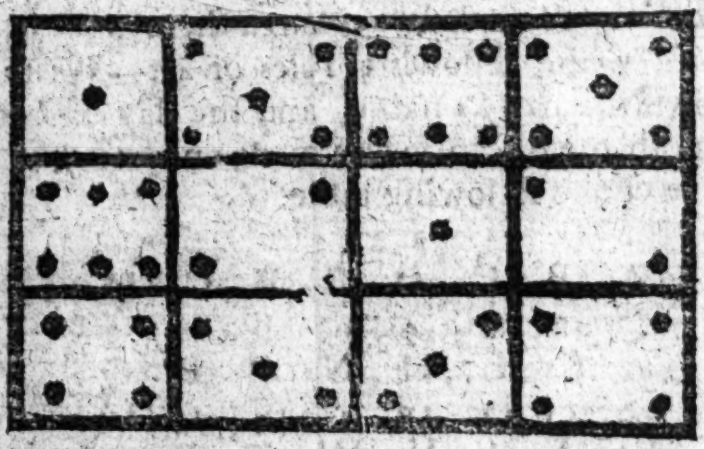
How to discover truth from falsehood.

IF you ſuſpect you take a perſon in a ſtory, be not ſo raſh as to charge them with it, but try the following rules of art—Write down the party's name, and the day of the month the diſcourſe was made on, and then obſerve the following table.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
13	2	20	4	13	6	16	7
I	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q
18	11	11	12	4	14	17	19
R	S	T	U	W	X	Y	Z
8	18	19	3	9	1	5	10

Take the letters and the figures properly belonging to them, that make the name of the party, then add the name of the day; when you have put them in a ſum total, add 26: then by 7 divide the ſum: and if the remainder be odd, you may be confident the party has told an untruth. And if you rely on what is ſaid, you poſitively may charge the party with it, either by an evident ſign, or open confeſſion. And thus you may come at the knowledge how you might have been deceived.

How to know your Fortune, good or bad, by throwing Dice.



For Men to cast Fortunes.

KIND will ſhe be to more than you,
Yet let not this your love undo;
You may ſucceed, and be well pleas'd,
And by her have your paſſion eas'd.

2. A pretty laſs I vow ſhe'll be,
And will much pleaſure bring to thee;
By her three children and no more,
Yet to help thee there's riches ſtore.

3. Be wiſe, and marry e'er it's too late,
Elſe time will put you out of date;
Loſe not the offer, if you're wiſe,
For of her you will have a prize.

4. Come cater, make the even lay,
Her Ace makes it join'd to a Tray;
So take her, and you win the game,
But ſhe'll not always be the same.

5. You need not fear ſhe will be kind,
If you to court her are inclin'd;
If you loſe time and do delay,
Then without hope repent you may.

6. Now if you hit not I miſtake,
She ſtay'd till this time for your ſake;
A well-complexion'd laſs is ſhe,
And money'd too, then ſoon agree.

Thus when the Men have tried lots for the Women, it is reaſonable the Women ſhould try for the Men, in the ſame manner by Dice, according to the following verſes:

For WOMEN.

HE is a handſome man and tall,
Yet unto you his love is ſmall;
But 'tis your fault becauſe you frown,
And do with ſcorn on him look down.

2. Thou wilt be ſure of thy deſire,
In time three huſbands to acquire;
The firſt and ſecond will be kind,
But in the third no comfort find.

3. Come liſten to what he doth ſay,
He'll make you happy many a day,
But if you ſtand in doubt of it,
Conſider but his parts and wit.

4 No, no, it muſt not be; your time
Is to ſtay longer—but your prime
You ſhall not paſs e'er you ſhall wed,
Or elſe part with your maidenhead.

5. Hoiſt up your ſails, old widow now
The fellow's willing, and does vow
He will you and your money have,
Therefore be wiſe and act the brave.

6. The man is real and upright,
The ſtories fram'd on him are ſpite;
Then in a pet break not this tie,
Leſt you repent it e're you die.

THE WHEEL OF FORTUNE.

TO know your fortune, obſerve the day and month you were born in: the better to do this, lay a peice of a paper over the wheel of fortune, and ſhutting your eyes, ſay, *Fortunam bonam opto*; then prick at a venture: If you light on *Aries*, it is a ſign of riches; if on *Taurus*, courage; if on *Gemini*, proſperous in Love;

if on *Leo*, to overcome your enemies; if on *Sagittaries* danger and croſſes in your affairs; if on *Aquaries*, dangers by water, and phlegmatic diſeaſes; if on *Capricorn*, diſappointments in love; if on *Scorpio*, fatal accidents will attend the courſe of your life; if on *Virgo*, you will marry a moſt agreeable perſon; if on *Cancer* look for loſſes and many other vexations; and if on *Pisces*, you will be riches in Merchandize, or ſome other way.

*** *If you prick a blank, then prick again, but not elſe.*

Fortune to be told by wrinkles in the Face.

TWO lines in the forehead, without a croſs, denote an eaſy life without croſſes; but if cut with croſs line, to the contrary.

Two lines directly down the noſe, ſhew a man to be a cuckold, and a woman to be unchaſte.

Three lines in the forehead crooked, ſhew the party rich, but ill-natured.

Dents or dimples in the Chin, ſhews the party amorous.

Creaſes by the mouth, ſhews the party given to mirth.

A wide mouth ſhews voracity, greedineſs and gluttony.

A great noſe denotes a perſon well furniſhed, and fruitful.

Creaſes in the cheeks of a young woman

ſhew ſorrow and croſſes.

Wrinkles on the noſe ſhems long life, but not very happy.

Wrinkles like an half moon in any part of the face, denote the perſon to be very inconſtant and wavering.

Fortunes on the Lines of the Hand.

THIS art is of high eſteem in moſt nations, and is of great efficacy; and thus I give an inſight into it.

If the lines that pass to the root of the little finger be clear, (which root is called the mount of Jupiter,) then riches and success in business may be expected.

If a line runs across the line of life, it shews crosses, troubles and sickness—perhaps untimely death.

If the plain of Mars be cut by two cross lines in the hollow of the hand of a woman, it shews she will marry a warlike person, but

his rash adventures will not give her leave to enjoy him long.

The wrinkles in the right wrist denotes as many husbands or wives.

The ball of the thumb is called the mount of the moon; and if there be a circle like to a moon, it promiseth riches by navigation, but the man to be unconstant in love, wavering and unstaple.

There are many times certain letters in the hand, engraved by nature, as G, H, L, M, *and the like; these generally denote the initials of the christian name of the party you shall marry, and sometimes the lines in the hands make these.*

The veins in the wrist likewise are figures or letters that answer the same purpose.

Interpretations of Dreams, as they relate to good or bad Fortunes.

DREAMS are impreſſions on the mind, when the body is repoſed, ſhewing ſtrange things to us, impreſſing them on the

memory ſo as to be recollected when awake.

To dream you fly in the air, and are fearful, denotes you ſtand tickliſh in the favour of thoſe you moſt truſt in.

To dream any furious beaſt aſſaults you, as a Bull, Bear, Lion, Wolf, Maſtiff, &c. denotes open enemies, contriving miſchief for you; but to be bitten by ſnakes or adders it is private treachery.

To dream one puts a ring on your finger, is ſpeedy marriage.

To dream you find a key, denotes admiſſion into ſome place of truſt.

To dream of finding money, denotes diſappointment, but of receiving the ſame, promiſes advantage

To dream one is kiſſing and embracing you, denotes you are beloved either in friendſhip or marriage.

If you dream of phyſicians and attornies, it ſhews croſſes in affairs

To dream of contending and conquering, promiſes advantage; but to be overcome, the contrary.

If that you are on horſeback, and ſeem to ride ſwift, ſhews ſome ſudden journey you'll take:—and ſo of others.

To know by complexion whether the Person is true in love

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THE ſanguine complexion is under Jupiter; therefore look if the party's Eyes be brown or hazle, then will your luck in wedlock be good and well pleaſing.

If the party be of a dark choleric and ſwarthy complexion, with grey eyes and Hair, then are they under Mars, and of a hot fierce diſpoſition, given to wrangling, brawls and unquietneſs of life, from which will come much trouble.

If a very fair complexion, with flaxen hair, and eye-brows, bluiſh or watery coloured Eyes, then is the party born under the moon, amiable but inconſtant, oftentimes given to change, ſubject to flegmatic diſeaſes and ſhort-liv'd.

If of a duſky melancholy and darkiſh complexion, dark hair and gloomy eyes, denotes that the party was born under Saturn, wiſe and politic, but revengful and

crafty; not much given to love, but much inclined to covetouſneſs.

Red hair and a fair complexion, ruddy and clear ſkin'd, ſhews the party born under Venus, very amorous, but moſt deſirous of change and wavering.

If a bright brown hair, with a ſanguine and chearful countenance, the party is born under Sol, and given to action, much beloved of many, promiſing much riches and fruitfulneſs.

How to know good or bad Fortune by ſundry Signs.

IF on chriſtmas eve you hear the birds chearful, it ſhews a joyful Year. If on Valentine's day you hear a robin ſing firſt, denotes ſpeedy marriage, or if married, many children. A hare croſſing the way ſhews bad luck, but ſtarting and running forward ſhews a proſperous journey, with ſucceſs.

If you find a ring lying before you, it ſhews ſudden marriage; but if it lies aſide, will be delays therein.

Look between the great toe and the middle toe on Valentine's day, and ſuch a hair as you find there, of that complexion will your lover be.

If a cricket ſing chearfully near your bed it ſhews riches and plenty: but if dulliſh, otherwiſe.

If fancying in your ſleep you embrace any perſon, denotes you'll enjoy your beſt affections.

These and such like things carry much weight with them.

To know if the Party lov'd is real.

STEEP roſe leaves in vinegar, then dry 'em to powder; add a little powder of nightſhade to 'em, and give about a dram of it to the party in wine or ſome other liquor; and if the perſon ſmiles, or ſhews no amorous geſtures to make it apparent, or ſome words let fall more ſingular than uſual, then you may be very confident there is nothing in it.

To know if a Female be a pure Virgin.

BEAT about two drams of alabaſter, or Marble very fine, and apply to the party on whom you have a mind to make the experiment, to drink in a glaſs of beer or wine; and ſhould ſhe retain it without emiſſion or expulſion emetically, or by emiſſion you may depend upon it ſhe is a pure virgin, but not without.

To know who ſhall live the longeſt, whether the Husband or Wife.

HOW to know this, is to conſider by the number of the name in the letters: *I* ſtands for One, *C* for a Hundred. *X* for Ten. *L* for Fifty. *V* for Five. *D* for Five Hundred, and *M* for a Thouſand.

When you compare the two names, caſt up the letters that make Figures in them, or Numeral letters, and ſee which is the greateſt number. For example, ſuppoſe *Abel Elsington & Lidia Wigmore*. The firſt is an *L* ſtanding for Fifty. *D* for Five

Hundred. *I* for One, and *M* a Thouſand. So that the latter being by far the greateſt number, in conſequence they muſt be the longeſt liver.

To make Love-Powder to cauſe Love.

OF mother of pearl take one dram, of crabs eyes as much; mix them up with the juice of parſley, then dry them again, and beat them to powder, then give half of it at a time in a glaſs of ale, or wine, or any other Liquor, and it will affect in a ſtrange manner, as you will ſoon ſee by the motion of the eyes, words, toyings, &c.

Another way.

GET bay berries, and gum of ivy, fern-root and the claws of a crab; dry them to powder, and ſift them thro' a ſieve; and if you want to know any one's affection, put a dram of it into a Glaſs of wine or ſome other liquor, and it will work ſtrange effects, without injuring the health of the party.

To write Love-Letters not to be read:

YOU may write with the Juice of an onion, or the juice of a Lemon, and it will not appear to be read until you hold it to the fire, when it will immediately appear legible.

This may be conveniently done with ink, by cutting a ſheet of paper into ſquare holes like Diamonds, and writing thro' the holes on another ſheet; ſo taking off the paper, fill up the vacancies with different ſubjects, and it will not be underſtood but by laying on the paper again; and therefore your paper by them.

You may liſtewiſe write with nine figures inſtead of letters, as in this table.

B	C	D	F	G	H	K	L	M
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
N	P	Q	R	S	T	X	Y	Z
1-	2-	3-	4-	5-	6-	7-	8-	9-

A	E	I	O	U
-	-	-	-	-
1	2	3	4	5

The firſt nine conſonants are plain figures, the next have daſhes, and the five vowels or figures have daſhes over them; ſo that obſerving the daſhes annexed to the figures, you have all the alphabet.

To make a Ring to draw Love Affections.

GET a hollow ring, put into it a ſnakes ſkin that has been ſtripped off going thro' a hedge; then dip it into the juice of nightſhade and fern roots, when you may draw it thro' as you would a hair; when ſo done ſay, *Omnia vincit Amor.*—— Then ſecretly ſlide it on your miſtreſs' finger and you'll ſoon ſee a ſtrange alteration, as it powerfully works in friendſhip. By this means Charles the Great, Emperor of Germany followed a woman of mean condition up and down to all places where ſhe went; and when dead, he would not be removed from her grave till the ring was removed, then was his mind changed.— For, as the poet ſays,

These rings a strong enchantment have,
To remove hate, and make us love;
The planets do conspire in this,
And those who try will sure not miss.

Happy Days of each Month, relating to Love and Business.

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ON *January* 6, 9, 25, (thrive,
The work you undertake will ſurely
February 10, 19, 23,
If love you take in hand it will agree.
The firſt of *March* is lucky held by all,
And *April's* 12th and 18th ſo we call.
May's 4th, 14th, and 21ſt are ſure
To bring proſperity that will endure.
June's 19th, and 21ſt, and 4,
Do proper buſineſs, and ſecure your ſtore.
If that your love you quickly would obtain,
Begin in *July*, in the dog ſtar's reign.
August the 5th and 6th are likewiſe good,
If then you court you will be underſtood.
September's 4th, 18th, and 28th.
October's 3d, and 6th, and 10th create
Such good beginnings as do give us bliſs.
November's 9th and 12th bring happineſs.
December's 4th, 8th, 13th, and the day
Our Lord was born, reckon we may.

The reſt of them are moſt indifferent,
And ſome we find to be malevolent.

The Signification of Moles.

A Mole on the Forehead of Man or Woman, denotes they shall grow rich, and be beloved by their Friends and Neighbours.

A Mole on the Eye-brows ſhews a Man incontinent, and given to women; but if a Woman, that ſhe will have a loving huſband.

He or ſhe that has a Mole on the Noſe, it ſhews that they love pleaſure more than any thing elſe.

A Mole on the Neck ſhews a Man confident; but a Woman to have weak judgment, apt to believe every report, however erroneous.

How to find out a Thief.

PUT down the minute when the goods were ſtolen, and the planets ruling the day. This done, put down the following characters on a fair piece of parchment or paper, ♌ (-) § ‖ † ‡ ¶ ♌ ——And if you hear no news of the thief in 24 hours: as ten to one you will, prick the parchment full of holes, and hang up the chimney that the fire may ſcorch it, and the Thief will be ſo reſtleſs, that he will bring or ſend back the goods.

To prevent being robbed on the road.

CONSIDER under what planet you ſet out: the Moon ruling on Monday, ſhews inconſtancy; Mars, Tuesday, Violence, Mercury Wedneſday, Fraud, Saturn, Saturday Malice; but the Sun, Jupiter, and Venus ruling Sunday, Thurſday, and Friday, being friendly planets, ſhews ſucceſs. But any days are proper by the following caution.

Gather Vertune in its proper ſeaſon being at or before noon, hang it up to dry; then powder it, keeping it in Agnus Caſtus.

This temporized in proper manner, will powerfully influence over travellers at all ſeaſons, and they may go ſafe and free from danger, keeping their minds ſtayed on good things.

How to tell the number one thinks.

THIS is a pretty device, and ſome have been thought to conjure by telling ſo exactly the thought of others, which is no more than this—When the Perſon has thought of a number, bid him double it, multiply it by five, and give the product; the Number named will be ſo far above that thought on, they will not ſcruple it; and this product being infallibly a Five or Cypher, that taken away, the number thought of will remain.

As ſuppoſe the thought number was 53, being doubled produces 106, and this multiplied by 5 is 530: the Cyper then taken away, the number thought of is 53. And this you may do by any number thought of obſerving the rule.

Of the Planets Ruling on the Days of our Nativities.

SUN *Sunday*, the Moon *Monday*, Mars *Tuesday*, Murcury *Wednesday*, Jupiter *Thursday*, Venus *Friday*, and Saturn *Saturday*, Theſe working in our nativities, diſpoſe the minds of men and women in various ways, and work them in the manner as deſcribed in the rules beforementioned.

Thus have I performed my promiſed task,
As much as conſcience well can aſk:

Quite full is love heap'd up in meaſure.
And if you try 'twill yield you pleaſure,
So read this book o'er at your leiſure.

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